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Application No.: 09/974,825 )  
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Filed: October 12, 2001 )  
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For: PARAMETER SETTING APPARATUS AND )  
PARAMETER SETTING METHOD, )  
INFORMATION RECORDING APPARATUS )  
AND INFORMATION RECORDING )  
METHOD, AND INFORMATION )  
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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO Form 1449.

To the best of the undersigned's knowledge, this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits for the above-referenced application, and no fees are believed to be necessary.

A copy of the listed documents is attached. As for relevance, an English-language abstract is provided for each non-English reference. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and evidence that consideration by making appropriate notations on the attached PTO Form 1449.

This submission does not represent that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that each or all of the listed documents are material or constitute "Prior Art." If it should be determined that any of the listed documents do not constitute "Prior Art" under United States law, Applicant reserves the right to present to the Office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such documents. Applicant further reserves the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should one or more of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.


If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this Statement, please charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 50-0310.

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